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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF  
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**MAIN CAMPUS**

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**THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

**FOR THE DEGREE**

**OF**

**SOCIAL WORK AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**COURSE CODE: SCR 304**

**COURSE TITLE: SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS**

**DATE: 15/12/2023**

**TIME: 3:00 – 5:00PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer question **ONE** (30 marks) and any other **TWO** questions (20 marks each)

TIME: 2 Hours

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### **Question One**

- a) Using relevant examples, explain any three types of research **(10 Marks)**
- b) Using examples, discuss any three alternatives to research. **(10 Marks)**
- c) Using examples, explain the Importance of hypothesis in social science research **(10 Marks)**

### **Question Two**

Using examples, discuss any three research designs commonly used in qualitative research giving their importance. **(20 Marks)**

### **Question Three**

Explain using examples the differences between qualitative and quantitative research. **(20 Marks)**

### **Question Four**

Using examples, explain any four probability sampling approaches commonly used in social science studies. **(20 Marks)**

### **Question Five**

- a) Explain any four qualities of a good research hypothesis for social science studies **(10 Marks)**
- b) Using examples, explain any four ethical considerations in social science studies. **(10 Marks)**